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Sir:

This paper is being filed responsive to the Office Action dated September 6, 2001, in which the Examiner has entered a restriction requirement.

REMARKS

In Section 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single group of claims for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted. The Examiner has grouped the claims as follows:

- Group I Claims 1-22 and 31-46, drawn to an optical logic circuit having Boolean logic output, classified in class 359, subclass 577; or
- Group II Claims 23-30, drawn to a method for making a semiconductive device, classified in class 438, subclass 21.

The Examiner states that the inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons: